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ANNOUNCEMENT  
Release of  
**CONSOLIDATED REQUEST FOR CONCEPT PROPOSALS**  
**Watershed and Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Programs**

The purpose of this document is to announce the availability of up to \$138 million in Watershed/Nonpoint Source grants through the State Water Resources Control Board's (State Board) Division of Financial Assistance, in partnership with:

- California Bay/Delta Authority (CALFED)
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA)
- California Coastal Commission
- California Resources Agency

These grants are made available through funding from:

- Safe Drinking Water, Clean Water, Watershed Protection and Flood Protection Act of 2000 (Proposition 13)
- Federal Clean Water Act section 319
- Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002 (Proposition 50)

### GRANT PROGRAM SUMMARIES

- **Nonpoint Source Programs**

1. Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program (Water Code, Division 26, Chapter 7, Article 2)  
(Proposition 13 = \$25 million).

The Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program provides grant funding to local public agencies and nonprofit organizations formed by landowners for projects that protect the beneficial uses of water throughout the state through the control of nonpoint source pollution. Grants are available to local public agencies, or nonprofit organizations formed by landowners to prepare and implement local nonpoint source plans. Of the \$25 million available, \$18.5 million is available to projects within six designated counties, San Diego, Orange, Los Angeles, Ventura, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties. \$6.5 million is available for projects within the other 52 counties.

2. Coastal Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program (Water Code, Division 26, Chapter 7, Article 5)  
(Proposition 13 = \$11.1 million).

The program provides grants to municipalities, local public agencies, nonprofit organizations, and educational institutions for coastal nonpoint source projects that restore and protect the water quality and environment of coastal waters, estuaries, bays, and near shore waters and groundwater. Of the \$11.1 million available, \$7 million is available to coastal projects within the geographic areas of Regional Water Quality Control Boards (Regional Boards) 1, 2, or 3. The remaining \$4.1 million will go to coastal projects within Regional Boards 4, 8, or 9.

3. Nonpoint Source Implementation Program (Federal Clean Water Act Section 319) (\$5-6 million).

The 319 Nonpoint Source Implementation Program provides grant funding for projects to implement measures and practices that reduce or prevent nonpoint source pollution to ground and surface waters. In particular, proposals that implement measures to achieve pollutant load reductions and address TMDL implementation will be favored in the selection process. Grants are available to municipalities, local public agencies, educational institutions, nonprofit organizations or Indian tribes. Funds cannot be used for activities undertaken pursuant to a NPDES permit (including stormwater).

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